HOUSE BILL 2420

By Weaver

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 6, relative to the liability of principal, intermediate contractor or subcontractor.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-113, is amended by deleting subdivision (f)(1) and substituting instead the following:

(f)

(1) Any person engaged in the construction industry, including principal contractors, intermediate contractors, or subcontractors, shall be required to carry workers' compensation insurance. This requirement shall apply whether or not the person employs fewer than five (5) employees. Sole proprietors and partners shall not be required to carry workers' compensation insurance on themselves. In addition, this subsection (f) shall not apply to any person building a dwelling or other structure, or performing maintenance, repairs, or making additions to structures, on the person's own property for the person's own use and for which the person receives no compensation.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.